

BENTON COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION

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MINUTES OF THE BENTON COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION

June 13, 2014

Commission members present: John Brown, Jr., Russell Anzalone, and Robbyn Tumey

Others present: Election Coordinator Kim Dennison, Sharon Rose, and Elections/Voter Administrator Dana Caler, Ron Easley, and Mike McKenzie

Media: Tom Sissom, Benton County Daily Record

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order at 11:00 A.M. and welcomed everyone.

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

- A. Recount requested by Mike McKenzie, Candidate for Justice of the Peace, District 1 from the Republican Primary Run-Off Election held on June 10, 2014: Chairman Brown stated that Mike McKenzie had requested a recount of votes from the Republican Primary Run-Off Election held on June 10, 2014 against Ron Easley and according to §7-5-319 any candidate who may be dissatisfied with the returns from any precinct shall have a recount of the votes cast upon the candidate's presenting the county board of election commissioners with a petition requesting the recount. Chairman Brown stated that Mike McKenzie, Candidate for Justice of the Peace, District 1 chose Garfield First Baptist Church, Precinct 14 as the precinct to be reviewed. The commissioners counted the paper ballots and tabulated the precinct-by-precinct results on the electronic voting machines. Chairman Brown stated that the count matched the election night results, and Ron Easley received 304 votes and Mike McKenzie received 299 votes. Mike McKenzie stated that he was satisfied with the recount, but disappointed in the result. Mr. McKenzie added that he was glad to see the process was accurate. Mr. Easley stated he understood Mr. McKenzie's request for a recount and was confident in the process.
- B. Certification of the Republican Primary Run-Off Election held June 10, 2014: Chairman Brown stated that there were nine (9) overseas absentee ballots outstanding that were not pertinent to the election and one (1) provisional ballot that was counted. Chairman Brown made a motion to accept the results of the Republican Primary Run-Off Election held June 10, 2014, seconded by Commissioner Anzalone. Motion carried by voice vote.

Other Business:

None

Public Comments:

None

Announcements:

None

Adjournment:

Chairman Brown made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Anzalone. The meeting was adjourned at 12:18 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Russell J. Anzalone, Secretary
Prepared by Sharon Rose
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